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SUBJECT: Request for Extension for Submittal of the Draft Final Operable Unit 3-14 Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study Work Plan – (EM-ER-04-078)

Dear Mr. Ceto and Mr. Koch:

The purpose of this letter is to request a 20-day extension to the schedule for submitting the draft final Operable Unit (OU) 3-14 Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study (RI/FS) Work Plan to you. Sections 8.16 and 8.17 of the Federal Facility Agreement/Consent Order (FFA/CO) state that the DOE has 30 days to provide written responses to the comments provided on the draft document, but may request a 20-day extension to the comment resolution schedule "in cases involving complex or unusually lengthy documents." While we have provided the comment responses to you in a timely manor, the revisions to incorporate your comments will require additional time. According to our calculations, the draft final Work Plan was scheduled to be sent to you on April 12, 2004. By extending the schedule 20 days, the revised submittal date will be May 3, 2004, however, we plan to submit the document to you before that date.

If you have questions or need additional information, please contact Rachel Hall at (208) 526-1661.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

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